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DATE: February 3, 2009

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: Rucker's Candy- Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Peanut Recall; Due to Salmonella typhimurium; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the State of Indiana. Rucker's Candy initiated a voluntary recall of Private Labeled products and the Family Choice Brand labeled products. Detail store information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Rucker's Candy Announces Voluntary Recall for Customer Private Labeled Products Including The Family Choice Labeled Brand

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- BRIDGEPORT, IL---January 31, 2009, Rucker's Candy initiated a voluntary recall of Private Labeled products and the Family Choice Brand labeled products.

Specifically, Rucker's Candy has recalled the following items:

- Ch Crml Pnut Cluster, UPC 0 52545 90052 0
- French Burnt Pnut, 0 52545 90132 8
- French Burnt Pnut 8.5oz, 0 52545 00132 5
- French Burnt Pnut 8.5oz, 0 52545 01132 4
- French Burnt Pnut 12oz, 0 52545 02132 3
- Carmel Pnut Cluster Tub 16oz, 0 52545 03025 7
- CH/PB Cracker, 0 30100 12515 0

- HC Burnt Pnut 3.8oz, 7 52545 07132 7
- NSA Pnut Cluster 10oz, 0 52545 10341 8
- NSA CH Pnuts 13ozm 0 52545 10344 9
- FC HC Burnt Pnut 3.8oz, 7 52545 17132 4
- French Burnt Pnut 8.5oz, 0 52545 01132 4

Rucker's Candy has taken these steps following announcements from the product's manufacturers that they may possibly be contaminated with Salmonella. While none of the private labels or the Family Choice Brand label have been identified as contaminated or linked to any illnesses, Rucker's Candy has received these products from suppliers which used peanuts from Peanut Corporation of America in Blakely, Georgia, which has been verified as the source of contaminated peanut products.

Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis. For more information on Salmonella, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Website at <http://www.cdc.gov>.

Rucker's Candy requests that customers who have purchased these products destroy the product or return them to the retailer of purchase for a full refund. If Rucker's Candy customers are unsure if they have the recalled product, they are requested to contact Rucker's Candy Customer Service at 800-325-2411. Consumers with questions or concerns about their health should contact their health care provider. If symptoms are present, please visit a health care provider or go to a hospital emergency room.

"The safety of our customers is always our number one priority," said Delbert Parrott, Senior Vice President for Rucker's Candy, "Rucker's Candy has taken these precautionary steps to help protect our customers and will return these products to our stores only once it is safe for our shoppers."

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